

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-21. (Cancelled)

22. (Currently Amended) A method of making a shaving razor, the method comprising the steps, in the order of:

providing a housing including a generally rectangular recess having four side walls and carrying a guard member,

providing a plurality of elongated metal razor blades, each blade having a cutting edge and first and second longitudinal ends,

providing a first plastic block having non-contiguous slots,

providing a second plastic block having non-contiguous slots,

securing said first longitudinal ends in said non-contiguous slots in said first plastic block and said second longitudinal ends in said non-contiguous slots in said second plastic block such that said cutting edges collectively define a shaving surface, and said blades and blocks provide an integrated blade subassembly, wherein said blades are movable in said non-contiguous slots during shaving, and

inserting said integrated subassembly into the rectangular recess wherein said guard member is in front of said blades.

23-27 (Cancelled)

28. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 22 wherein said recess is open to the top, and said inserting involves lowering said integrated blade subassembly into said recess.

29-37 (Cancelled)

38. (Currently Amended) A method of making a shaving razor, the method comprising the steps, in the order of:
- providing a housing including a generally rectangular recess having four side walls,
 - providing a plurality of elongated metal razor blades, each blade having a cutting edge and first and second longitudinal ends,
 - providing a first plastic block having non-contiguous slots,
 - providing a second plastic block having non-contiguous slots,
 - securing said first longitudinal ends in said non-contiguous slots in said first plastic block and said second longitudinal ends in said non-contiguous slots in said second plastic block such that said cutting edges collectively define a shaving surface, and said blades and blocks provide an integrated blade subassembly,
 - wherein said blades are movable in said non-contiguous slots during shaving and wherein no part of said integrated blade subassembly extends beyond an outer surface of said first and second blocks, and
 - inserting said integrated subassembly into the rectangular recess.
39. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 further comprising a lubricating strip carried by said housing.
- 40-42 (Cancelled)
43. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 wherein no part of said integrated blade subassembly extends beyond an outer surface of said first and second blocks.
44. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 38 further comprising a lubricating strip carried by said housing.